ELDER AND DEPENDENT ADULT ABUSE PREVENTION COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES FROM JANUARY 07, 2021

Present (Via Video Conferencing)- Steve Karrer, Jacklyn Zlckel, Jessica Snyder, Kathy Taylor, Mary Tritsch, Niomi Burget, Kathy Greenlee, Dawne Stevenson, Ruth Ritthaler, Mitzi McFatrich

Members Absent: Kendra Braldridge, Vanessa Riebli, Kate Carter, Jackie Williams, Dr. Stephen Benson

Others Present: Sarah Shipman, Elizabeth DaPrato

Meeting called to order at 3:02 P.M. via video conferencing

Chairman Karrer read an Open Meetings Information notice to everyone participating. Public Notice was issued via the Kansas Attorney General's website.

Agenda items:

- 1) Review and approval of minutes from November 30, 2020, meeting. Kathy Greenlee moved to approve minutes and Kathy Taylor provided a second. The minutes were approved unanimously.
- 2) No reports were provided from any sub-committee.
- 3) Chairman Karrer provided an update regarding the Council's proposed MDT legislation. He informed the Council that the Reviser's office had some questions regarding the language of the legislation. The Council discussed those questions and Chairman Karrer will provide those answers. Kathy Greenlee informed the Council that KDADS and DCF intends on providing written testimony along with DCF providing oral testimony. Mary Tritsch indicated AARP will provide written testimony in favor of the bill. Also, Kathy Greenlee will provide written testimony in favor of the bill on behalf of the Kansas Banker's Association.
- 4) Annual Report Discussion Chairman Karrer informed the Council he would be submitting a report to submit to the Attorney General in compliance with regulation in January of 2021. The report, will list members, any changes in the members, when the meetings were held, the subcommittees that were established, the effects of COVID on the council, investigations and overall services. The report will also cover the proposed MDT Legislation, outreach and looking forward to upcoming year.

New Business

- 1) Kathy Greenlee brought up maybe doing something for World Elder Abuse awareness day in June, perhaps doing something as a committee, for visibility etc. Chairman Karrer asked Niomi if she could coordinate something, and Niomi indicated she would send out a meeting invite to find a next meeting for subcommittee to discuss this idea.
- Chairman Karrer informed the committee that a Federal bill was passed that expands the authority of the Medicaid unit within the state, to allow further investigation/prosecution than what their current federal guidelines allowed.

4) Mitzi McFatrich announce she retired from her position at the end of 2020, and will open up her position on the council to someone else beginning at the next meeting.

Next Meeting: Elizabeth DaPrato will send out Doodle poll for the next meeting. February was recommended, preferably towards the end of the month.

Kathy Taylor moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Kathy Greenlee. All in favor, no opposed.

Meeting adjourned at 3:53pm.